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THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Graduates (with Tamil in Group V) are merely treated as untrained graduates if they do not possess any training qualification. Such untrained graduates are paid the minimum pay of Rs. 65 in the scale of Rs. 65—5—130 or Rs. 85 in the scale of Rs. 85—5—125—10—175 according as they are employed by local bodies or by Government."

3-20 p.m. SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHI :—" Sir, are the Government aware of the fact that the Tirunelveli District Board has been paying a woman graduate who took Tamil for her B.A. Degree only Rs. 45 per mensem stating that she is only a second grade Tamil Pandit? The Board has been consistently refusing to pay her Rs. 65 per mensem because it says that she has committed the sin of taking the mother language as her subject for the B.A. Degree instead of a foreign language for which she would be eligible for Rs. 65 per mensem? "

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Sir, I think, recently orders have been passed that in the case of all these untrained graduates the minimum pay of Rs. 65 should be given."

Treating Hindi Pandits without Pracharak Diploma as unqualified Pandits.

* 138 Q.—SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance and Education be pleased to state—

(a) whether Hindi Pandits who do not possess the Pracharak Diploma are treated as unqualified pandits;

(b) if so, whether any Hindi Pandit is affected by such an order;

(c) whether the obtaining of exemption is insisted on by the Government for employment of such pandits in aided high schools;

(d) whether any time-limit has been fixed for such pandits to get themselves qualified; and

(e) if so, the arrangements made by the Government to retain in the school-year 1954–55 such of those pandits who have not been able to qualify themselves within the time-limit?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" (a) No, Sir.

" (b) Does not arise.

" (c) Exemption is insisted on in respect of Hindi Pandits who possess only the language and general educational qualifications prescribed for the posts, but are without the training qualifications.

" (d) The unqualified Hindi Pandits are required to qualify themselves by obtaining the training diploma within two years after appointment.

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"(e) Pandits not exempted from acquiring the training diploma are continued beyond the two years after appointment with the temporary exemption accorded by competent authority provided fully qualified hands do not become available."

SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHI :—" Sir, are the Government aware of the fact that many District Educational Officers and Inspectresses have declared these teachers as unqualified and many teachers have been displaced? Teachers who have obtained the *Visharad* Degree which is recognized and have obtained a certificate of training by undergoing a three months' training course in the Hindi Prachar Sabha, have been declared unqualified."

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" They have to take their training diploma and, if they do not do so, they are not qualified teachers."

SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHI :—" Sir, as I have already submitted in this House, though the training course is only for three months the candidates have to undergo a general course for seven months. May I know whether the Government are aware of this? "

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" So far the Government have recognized only the Pracharak Diploma. Sir, I am prepared to consider whether the other course mentioned by the hon. Member is equivalent to the Pracharak Diploma."

Inclusion of names of teachers in the panel for headmasters from 1949–50 *to* 1952–53.

* 139 *Q.*—SRI M. ETHIRAJULU : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance and Education be pleased to state—

(a) the number of teachers who have applied for the inclusion of their names in the panel for headmasters during the years 1949–50, 1950–51, 1951–52 and 1952–53 in the District Board High schools and the Municipal High schools of South Arcot district;

(b) how many of them have been included in the panel;

(c) what are the qualifications necessary for the inclusion in the panel; and

(d) who are the officers empowered to include teachers in the panel?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" (a), (b) & (d) A statement [a] is laid on the table of the House.

" (c) A University degree with L.T., B.T. or B.Ed. and a service of ten years as an assistant in secondary schools."

SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM :—" Sir, may I know if appointment of headmasters are made strictly in the order of seniority in the panel prepared by the educational authorities in consultation with the President of the District Board? "

[a] Printed as Appendix V on page 422 infra.